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July 1 Cattle Inventory Down One Percent

All cattle and calves in the United States as of July 1, 2011, totaled 100.0 million head, 1 percent below the 101.1 million on July 1, 2010.

All cows and heifers that have calved, at 40.6 million, were down 1 percent from July 1, 2010.

- * Beef cows, at 31.4 million, were down 1 percent from July 1, 2010.
- * Milk cows, at 9.2 million, were up 1 percent from July 1, 2010.

Other class estimates on July 1, 2011 and the changes from July 1, 2010, are as follows:

- * All heifers 500 pounds and over, 16.0 million, down 1 percent.
- * Beef replacement heifers, 4.2 million, down 5 percent.
- * Milk replacement heifers, 4.2 million, up 4 percent.
- * Other heifers, 7.6 million, down 2 percent.
- * Steers weighing 500 pounds and over, 14.2 million, down 1 percent.
- * Bulls weighing 500 pounds and over, 2.0 million, down 5 percent.
- * Calves under 500 pounds, 27.2 million, down 1 percent.
- * All cattle and calves on feed for slaughter, 12.2 million, up 3 percent.

The 2011 calf crop is expected to be 35.5 million, down 1 percent from 2010. Calves born during the first half of the year are estimated at 25.8 million, down slightly from 2010.

Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop, United States, July 1, 2010-2011

Class	United States		
	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
All Cattle and Calves	101,100	100,000	99
Cows and Heifers That Have Calved	40,900	40,600	99
Beef Cows	31,750	31,400	99
Milk Cows	9,150	9,200	101
Calf Crop	35,685	35,500	99

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